

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-6 are active in the present application. Claim 1 has been amended. No new matter has been entered.

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 29, 2004, Applicants elect Group I, corresponding to claims 1-4, drawn to controlling actual steering angle of the drive wheel based on steering angle of steering wheels, classified in class 701, subclass 41 **with traverse** for prosecution in the present application.

Applicants traverse the outstanding Restriction Requirement as the outstanding Restriction Requirement has not established that an undue burden would be required if the Restriction Requirement was not issued and if all the claims were examined together. More particularly, MPEP §803 states:

If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions.

In the present application any search of the elected claims would also include the classes and subclasses appropriate for searching the non-elected claims. Indeed, it is noted that all of the claims are classified in the same subclass. Thus, there would be no undue

burden if all of the claims were examined together.

Respectfully submitted,

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